

BODY FOUND Erin Elizabeth Henry.

Sad end to student search

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WESTHAVEN — Erin Elizabeth Henry, the Humboldt State Student missing since Nov. 25, was found deceased along U.S. Highway 101 south of Westhaven the morning of Friday, Nov 8.

Arcata Police were contacted by the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and told that a maintenance worker had located a knee scooter. Henry had been using one due to having a broken ankle.

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MAGIC IN THE AIR
Arcata Main Street's Season of Wonder and Light saw the Plaza transformed into a winter wonderland Friday night during the Winter Solstice Open House. Right, Snow Queen Shoshanna presided over teeming children playing in a real snowstorm. Below left, the world's tallest elves. Middle, the Jacoby Creek School Choir sang seasonal songs. Below, Santa and Mrs. Claus took gift advice from hopeful children.

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'Village' project, round 3

Kevin L. Hoover
MAD RIVER UNION
ARCATA — Last Tuesday's Planning Commission meeting on The Village student housing project was everything the previous two weren't.

Civility reigned, with the developer and citizens alike offering views, the commissioners asking questions of staff and the applicant, and all of this devoid of accusations, jeers or near-scuffles at the public podium.

The Planco was able to do a deeper dive into the project's Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and identify specific issues for further analysis.

The project applicant, David Moon of Coleraine Capital, intimated that the project could be altered to address design objections raised by citizens.

Meanwhile, Arcata's city attorney appears to be researching legal issues surrounding business dealings between The Village's developers and City Councilmember Michael Winkler.

'Substantive issues'
Community Development Director David Loya said that the first two hearings had raised "substantive issues" of parking, traffic and the project's "bulking mass."

Loya noted that the project's EIR includes several project alternatives, and these include scaled-back versions. Approval of the project

VILLAGE ♦ A3

Wood: single-payer healthcare plan needs more time



POWER PLAY Acting on the theory that participatory democracy is still a thing, volunteers for Power Lunch Humboldt gathered last week to make calls to elected representatives. Among other things, they lobbied against passage of the GOP tax plan, which includes a provision rescinding the Obamacare individual mandate. The next lunch is this Thursday, Dec. 14 at noon. Learn more on the "Power Lunch Humboldt" Facebook page. SUBMITTED PHOTO

Danel Mintz
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HUMBOLDT — In a presentation to Humboldt County's Board of Supervisors, state Assemblymember

Jim Wood said California's pursuit of single-payer health care coverage can't be done as quickly as some have demanded.

Wood's approach to Senate Bill

562, the Healthy California Act, which would establish a universal public health care system, has been criticized as being inadequate and not timely enough in rallies

throughout his district.

Wood chairs the state Assembly's Health Committee and is co-chair of the select committee that is holding hearings on universal coverage. At the December 5 supervisors meeting, he opened his annual presentation by asserting his commitment to creating a "health care for all" coverage system.

"I see now that the goal of developing a sound and solid solution



Assemblymember Jim Wood

WOOD ♦ A3

McKinley finding few friends as removal push gathers force

More McK meetings set for January, February

Kevin L. Hoover
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ARCATA — The strips of suggestion-hungry butcher paper on the walls of the D Street Neighborhood Center may as well have been invisible, as they were entirely ignored at the Dec. 4 City Council Study Session on Arcata's William McKinley statue and the historical plaque across from Jacoby's Storehouse.



William McKinley

The posted paper was supposed to receive ideas for dealing with the statue and plaque, with the ideas then rated by sticky dots placed on those which people favored. But attendees preferred oral testimony, speaking from a podium placed next to the seated City Council at the front of the hall.

While a handful of citizens defended the statue, the overwhelming majority of speakers condemned the statue and plaque in stark terms, and demanded their removal.



PACKED HOUSE The D Street Neighborhood Center was packed, mostly with McK critics, as the City Council gathered testimony last week.

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McKinley, according to multiple speakers, embodies the values of colonialism, white supremacy and genocide that led to the decimation of native peoples locally and in the foreign adventures his administration pursued.

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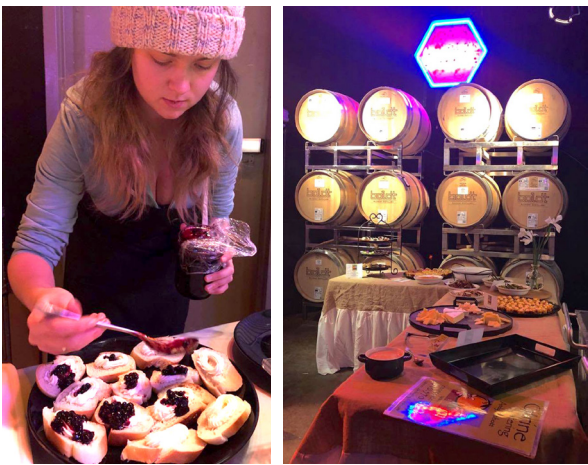
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MIXING WITH ALCHEMY
LAST OF THE YEAR The Arcata Chamber of Commerce's final First Thursday mixer took place at Alchemy Distillery on South G Street. Above, the chamber's Molly Steele and Carol Clymo give out door prizes. Above right, Alchemy's Amy and Steve Bohner joined forces with Wrangletown Cider Company's Pat Kniffel for the evening. Right, Citrine Catering helped attendees soak up the tasty beverages. arcatachamber.com



Stinky outdoor grows may see 1,000-foot setbacks

Daniel
MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT – To address odor complaints and avoid lawsuits against the county, Humboldt's Planning Commission is recommending that new setback standards be required for outdoor commercial marijuana production, even for grows that have already been approved.

In a close vote at a November 30 hearing, a majority of commissioners favored retroactive application of new standards for outdoor marijuana grows within 1,000 feet of community planning area boundaries, municipal spheres of influence and tribal areas.

Under the commission majority's recommendation, outdoor grows in those areas would have to be moved 600 feet away from nearby residences or into enclosed structures.

The 600-foot standard was reduced from an original proposal of 1,000 feet.

Recognizing that the Garberville/Redway community planning area is uniquely sympathetic to the marijuana industry, commissioners excluded it from the list of areas subject to the new standards.

The recommendation applies to production sites that have been approved as well as those in the process of being approved. All have been advanced under the county's current commercial marijuana ordinance, which sets 300-foot setbacks from nearby residences and 30-foot setbacks from property lines.

The new and expanded setbacks are part of the draft of a new ordinance. And during a public comment session, marijuana producers and their advocates warned that changing rules midstream will erode trust in the county's regulatory process.

"Our farmers that are seeking or have already received permits are developing and implementing plans based on (the current ordinance) and to have the looming possibility of additional criteria in the future is unsettling to say the least," said Natalynne DeLapp of the Humboldt County Growers Alliance.

The new standards emerged in response to complaints – and lawsuit threats – from public officials and residents of areas such as Fortuna, where county-approved grows skirt municipal areas.

Commission Chair Bob Morris noted the controversy over odor complaints and the potential for lawsuits. "Are we going down the road where there's just going to be litigation after litigation?" he asked. "I don't know – but it looks to me that we may be headed that way if we don't do something."

Asked for advice, County Counsel Jeffrey Blanck said the impact of odor is subjective, throwing "another variable into the mix -- of 'this one stinks and this one doesn't.'"

He added, "A lot of the complaints that have made it to county counsel's office and then to planning were based on the fact that they just didn't like marijuana

grows ... they just didn't want that industry next door."

Commissioner Kevin McKinney, who is a developer, said changing conditions are regularly applied to approved subdivisions. He used the example of updated handicapped ramp designs.

In a 4-3 vote, commissioners supported the new setback recommendations.

Also during the hearing, commissioners agreed to remove school bus stop setback requirements, as school district officials have said the location of rural area bus stops continually change.

Most commissioners also supported setting Dec. 31, 2019 as a cut-off date for accepting permit applications for pre-existing grows. They added a clause to discourage later submittal of applications by reducing the amount of grow area by 50 percent for applications submitted after the window's first year.

The draft of the new ordinance also expands the size standard for small-scale, artisanal grows from 3,000 square feet to 5,000 feet but commissioners unanimously voted to recommend adherence to the smaller size.

The county's incentive program for re-locating existing grows from problematic areas to preferred locations is also included in the new ordinance. In a close vote, commissioners agreed to recommend acceptance of re-location applications to Dec. 31, 2018 and to end the program after that.

Tractor Supply rising in VW with Pacific Builders

TRACTOR SUPPLY CO.
MAD RIVER PARKWAY – Tractor Supply Company has begun construction in Arcata. Construction on the store, located at 5251 Mad River Parkway in Valley West, began Tuesday, Dec. 5 with a goal of opening next spring.

Tractor Supply will serve as a one-stop shop for the Arcata community's farmers, livestock and pet owners, ranchers, part-time and hobby farmers, gardeners, homeowners, tradesmen and others.

The Arcata Tractor Supply plans to hire 12 to 15 employees with firsthand knowledge and expertise in caring for pets, livestock and land.

"We're not just building a store, we're building a team that understands the needs of the Arcata community," said District Manager Toni Hernandez. "At Tractor Supply, we carry products that support the lifestyle our customers lead, the land they own and the animals in their care, so whether you are someone who raises horses and pets, runs a hobby farm or just enjoys the rural lifestyle, we'll be there to make sure you have all the tools you need."

At the store, customers will be able to shop a wide selection of products at a great value including workwear and boots,



tractor and trailer parts and accessories, lawn and garden supplies, sprinkler and irrigation parts, power tools, fencing, welding and pump supplies, riding mowers and more. The Arcata store will also carry a wide variety of food and supplies for pets, equine and livestock, as well as a pet wash station where customers will have access to professional grade wash bays, grooming tables and tools.

The Tractor Supply team will also seek to support pet adoption initiatives, 4-H and FFA, county fairs and livestock shows.

Pacific Builders will construct the 19,097-square-foot retail space. The store plans include a sales floor, external support service area and pet wash station.

The store opening, expected to occur in late spring, will kick off with a four-day Grand Opening celebration, during which customers can sign up for Tractor Supply's new Neighbor's Club loyalty program. Members will receive member-only offers, birthday offers, personal purchase summaries and receipt-free returns.

TRINIDAD CITY COUNCIL The Trinidad City Council meets Wednesday, Dec. 13 at 6 p.m. in the Trinidad Town Hall, 409 Trinity St. Agenda items include a staff activity report for November; law enforcement report for November; financial status reports for October; an update to the salary schedule; ADA improvements to library parking; an ADA survey of Town Hall; a letter to county planning requesting notification of development proposals in Luffenholtz Watershed; selection of new mayor and mayor pro-tem; a streets and roads presentation; and consideration of Resolution 2017-19 committing matching funds for the Downtown Trinidad Pedestrian & Connectivity Improvements Project; consider approval of city manager contract; a request from the Trinidad Civic Club to waive permit fees for the Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse Project.



PARKS AND REC Arcata's Parks and Recreation Committee meets Wednesday, Dec. 13 at 6 p.m. in Council Chamber at City Hall. Agenda items include new or additional uses for Plaza park space; committee goals for the 2018/2019 fiscal year; the upcoming joint study session with the Open Space & Agriculture, Forest management, Parks & Rec and Wetlands and Creeks committees, set for Tuesday, Jan. 16. Committee and staff reports include updates on Shay, Greenview, Ennes, Carlson and Redwood parks; and the futsal court. Pre-application and development projects will be discussed, including The Village student housing and Creekside Homes.

ARCATA CITY COUNCIL The Arcata City Council meets Thursday, Dec. 14 at 8 a.m. in Council Chamber at City Hall, 736 F St., to elect a may and vice mayor per Section 20 of the Arcata Municipal Code. The council will then appoint member representatives to regional boards, commissions, committees and as liaisons for 2018. The council will then adjourn and reconvene as the Arcata Joint Powers Authority, and will elect a chair and vice-chair.

PUBLIC MEETINGS			
While the <i>Union</i> strives for accuracy, we also strongly recommend that you verify dates and times prior to setting out to attend any of the following public meetings.			
GOVERNING BODY	NEXT MEETING	MEETING LOCATION	MORE INFORMATION
Arcata City Council Meets first & third Wednesday	Wednesday, Dec. 20 at 6 p.m.	Council Chamber, Arcata City Hall 736 F St., Arcata	cityofarcata.org
Arcata Fire District Board of Directors Meets third Tuesday	Tuesday, Dec. 19 at 5:30 p.m.	Arcata Station Classroom 631 Ninth St., Arcata	arcatafire.org
Blue Lake City Council Meets second & fourth Tuesday	Tuesday, Dec. 26 at 7 p.m.	Skinner Store Buiding behind City Hall	bluelake.ca.gov/city/council/agendas
Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation & Conservation District Meets fourth Thursday	Thursday, Dec. 28 at 7 p.m.	Woodley Island Marina Meeting Room	humboldtбай.org/meetings-agendas-and-public-notice
Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District Meets second Thursday	Thursday, Dec. 14 at 9 a.m.	Boardroom, Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District, 828 Seventh St., Eureka	hbmwd.com/meetings
Humboldt County Board of Supervisors Meets every Tuesday	Tuesday, Dec. 19 at 9 a.m.	Board Chambers, Humboldt Co. Courthouse, 825 Fifth St., Eureka	humboldt.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx
Manila Community Services District Meets third Thursday	Thursday, Dec. 21 at 6:30 p.m.	Room I, Manila Community Center, 1611 Peninsula Dr., Manila	manilacsd.com/Agendas_Minutes_and_Forms.htm
McKinleyville Community Services District Meets first Wednesday	Wednesday, Jan. 3 at 7 p.m.	Azalea Hall, 1620 Pickett Rd., McKinleyville	mckinleyvillecsd.com
McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee Meets last Wednesday	Wednesday, Dec. 27 at 6 p.m.	Middle School Conf. Center, 2275 Central Ave., McKinleyville	humboldt.gov.org/238/McKinleyville-Municipal-Advisory-Committ
Trinidad City Council Meets second Wednesday	today, Dec. 13 at 6 p.m.	Trinidad Town Hall, 409 Trinity St., Trinidad	trinidad.ca.gov
Westhaven Community Services District Meets third Wednesday	Wednesday, Dec. 20 at 7:30 p.m.	Westhaven Fire Hall, 446 Sixth Ave., Westhaven	(707) 677-0798 wcsd@suddenlinkmail.com

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Dungy season delayed thru Dec.

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HUMBOLDT – There will be Dungeness crab on Christmas this year but it won't be pulled from the waters of the North Coast, as the commercial season in the region will be closed until at least December 31.

Crabs collected on Dec. 5 from Eureka, Trinidad and Crescent City still failed to meet the 25 percent meat to total weight ratio that's necessary for opening the season north of Point Arena.

The meat quality issue prevented the scheduled opening of Dec. 1. If the latest round of tests had shown adequate meat levels, a Dec. 16 season opening would have been declared.

More tests will be done to determine whether there'll be a late December opening.

Tests in early November showed crabs were far below the 25 percent ratio, with the percentages ranging from 14 to 16.7 percent. Last week's tests showed the meat ratios ranging from 19 to 21 percent.

If a December 31 opening isn't allowed, then the season will open on January 15, as it can't be delayed past that date.

Domoic acid is also affecting the North Coast's Dungeness fishery again.

Tests for the toxin in early and mid-November north of Fort Bragg and in Crescent City showed one out of six crab samples in each area exceeding safety levels. More crab samples were collected in Crescent City in late November and the results were even worse – five out of six of the samples exceeded the safety threshold.

Two rounds of tests in which all sampled crabs fall within the safety level of 30 parts per million are necessary for the season to start in the affected areas.

The crabs with elevated levels tested at up to 150 parts per million in Fort Bragg, though the follow-up round of testing saw the highest level at 31 parts per million.

But the domoic acid level was up to 98

parts per million in the crabs collected in the Crescent City area in late November.

Christie Juhasz, an environmental scientist with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, said crabs in the Eel River estuary area have tested within the safety levels and tests in the Fort Bragg and Crescent City areas will be ongoing.

More test results are expected this week, she continued.

Domoic acid is a naturally-occurring toxin associated with algal blooms. Its persistence into the winter months was a shock two years ago, when the Dungeness season was delayed into the spring months.

It continues be surprising, as an El Niño warming trend has subsided. Juhasz noted that razor clams collected in Humboldt and Del Norte counties are also continuing to show high levels of domoic acid.

“Algae is still present, producing the domoic acid,” she said.

Juhasz also noted that in the recreational Dungeness fishery, there is no domoic acid health advisory from the Klamath River to the Oregon border. If crabs test positively for meat quality but domoic acid lingers, unaffected parts of the northern coast could open.

LIONS STUDENT SPEAKERS CONTEST

The McKinleyville Lions Club is currently searching for students in the 9th through 12th grades who are interested in participating in the California Lions' 81st annual Student Speakers Contest. The topic is “Integrity and Civility Play What Role in Today's Society?” Speeches are to be five to 10 minutes in length. This is a six level speech contest with the possibility of cash prizes totaling \$500 and scholarships totaling \$21,000. The McKinleyville club level contest will be held on Saturday, February 3, 2018 at 2 p.m. Deadline to sign up is Saturday, Jan. 27. To view the handbook, *visit studentspeaker.md4lions.org*. (707) 677-0942.



TEA FOR THREE Tea and other delights refreshed attendees at the Historical Sites Society of Arcata's Holiday Tea Sunday afternoon at Phillips House Museum. The society is preparing for its Cultural and Crafts Sale, coming up Feb. 17. Left to right, O'Rourke Swinney, Ann McCleary, Jaffa Wahlberg and Carolyn Otis. KLH | UNION

McStatue | Colloquy

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vote displeased some McKinley opponents. They aren't confident in the result, want the council to order the statue's immediate removal and view the council's failure to do so as an example of profound moral blindness.

Mayor Susan Ornelas cautioned attendees at the meeting's start that it was a study session, and that no decisions would be made that night.

The first speaker, Bob Fallis, opposed the statue and plaque's removal. “Why would the city even consider doing these things?” he asked. He soon found out.

Chris Peters, president of the Seventh Generation Fund for Indigenous Peoples, said the statue perpetuates paternalism and represents “a value system laced with racism.”

Lisa Pelletier was the first of a number of speakers to declare that Arcata is “Wiyot land,” referring to the indigenous tribe all but wiped out by the European-American settlers who established the town. She said the statue “disrespects and insults people.”

Another woman disagreed. “It's a very nice statue and represents our history,” she said. “Leave our statue alone.”

Janette Heartwood said the statue has “outworn his welcome” and should be relocated somewhere else in town. “that gives us the opportunity to re-imagine the Plaza as a more useful place,” she said.

Tia Oros Peters, executive director of the

Seventh Generation Fund, said the Plaza was used for trafficking in native peoples' body parts, and even the selling of children. The statue, she said, “legitimizes brutality” and “continues to injure the entire region.”

Jim Williams said the statue and plaque play a useful role. ““We should learn from our mistakes,” he said. “I can't see where it's going to change history a bit [to remove the statue and plaque].”

“Shame on white people,” said Eli Vargas. “It is disgusting to have the gall to defend the statue.” He said it is “one sick example of the thousands of things that make Humboldt unsafe for people of color.”

McKinley and the statue were further pilloried by those advocating removal, though some wanted it re-contextualized with an educational plaque. One person called it “a monument to death.”

As the meeting drew to a close, McKinley opponents seemed unsatisfied and engaged the council in an informal colloquy.

Peters said an election would be inherently unfair, since many native people don't live in Arcata and can't vote. “I don't see how a bunch of white people can make a decision that affects indigenous people,” he said.

A City Council meeting on the Plaza is set for Jan. 8, and the statue and plaque will be specifically considered at a Feb. 21 council meeting. City Manager Karen Diemer said that meeting will include staff reports on the costs, legalities and logistics of statue removal.

Wood | Slow-walking single payer

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has fed the perception that I was not interested in moving the issue forward,” Wood said. “I learn about issues by asking pointed and often difficult questions ... but I realize that by asking these questions, many perceive this as opposition and that could not be further from the truth.”

He added that he's concluded a single player plan would need “much more time” to be developed and “some people heard this as an excuse or an intentional delay and again, nothing could be further from the truth.”

Wood highlighted the formation of the select committee, which is taking “a deep dive into the issues around universal health care.” The committee held an initial two-day hearing in late October and will hold another on Dec. 11.

Asked by Supervisor Ryan Sundberg if establishing a means of paying for universal coverage is a main issue, Wood said there are “a myriad of issues” under consideration.

If California implements universal health care, it will cost the state between \$340 billion to \$400 billion – about two-and-a-half times the state's current budget, he continued.

“I have concerns about how that might be managed, I have concerns about how rural communities might be affected,” said Wood.

Supervisors Board Chair Virginia Bass noted that other communities are taking positions on SB 562.

Last June, Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon shelved the bill, preventing its advance, calling it “woefully inadequate.”

The bill's supporters, including local health care advocates, have demanded that the bill move forward. But Bass said that “supporting single payer health when it's appropriate or when it's figured out

makes more sense than trying to force a bill.”

She also acknowledged that state Governor Jerry Brown isn't likely to support the bill in its current form. Wood agreed, and said significant effort is being devoted to devising an effective new system.

“I believe that we're actually doing the hard work that we need to do to figure out how to get to a solution,” he said. “I think we need time to do that.”

At a local rally at Wood's Eureka office last September, single payer advocates equated delay with deaths due to lack of coverage and inadequate treatment of illnesses. They used a skeleton prop to illustrate that and placed gravestones inside Wood's office, accusing him of callous disregard and alliance with special interests.

But Wood told supervisors the remedy's scope is expansive. “I hope that people understand that the reinvention of the entire health care system for California is a complicated topic and it's going to take some time,” he said.

Wood added that other countries that have universal health care spend more money in total on human services and issues that are relevant to Humboldt County, such as shortages of primary care physicians, also need to be addressed.

He also outlined his efforts on other bills, such as SB 17, an approved law that requires pharmaceutical companies to give notice and provide information on drug price increases, and AB 275, which requires more advance notice on closures of nursing care facilities and assessment of the impacts of re-locations.

Wood is also working on expanding rural broadband telecommunications access, supporting state bond measures for funding housing, parks and transportation, and implementation of Proposition 64 marijuana legalization.

Village | Developer to provide more information on alternatives

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would also include a Development Agreement which could include mitigations and modifications to the plans. The agreement could include measures to address issues identified, but not mitigated in the EIR, such as traffic, wastewater and biological impacts.

Loya told the Planco that it can push for modifications to the project as part of the process. “The developer understands that there is discretion with approvals,” he said.

Speakers (including this reporter) asked about a photo simulation depicting the project's viewshed impacts along Maple Lane. An initial photo simulation of the way the buildings would look on the bluff above that Westwood Village street depicted the 50-foot towers along the west side as significantly lower than the story poles installed on the site. The photo simulation was then revised without comment, but one speaker said it cast doubt on the accuracy of the other data in the EIR.

Planning Commission Chair Judith Mayer suggested that the two rows of parking on the project's east side pushes it to the west, increasing visual impacts on the Westwood area. She suggested that increasing parking on the west side would offer more buffer space.

Moon said he would prefer not to move the build-

ings closer to U.S. Highway 101, as that would increase noise and light impacts on Village residents. But, he said, he was “open to anything” and could create an option that includes redesigned parking.

Commissioner Melanie McCavour wondered whether the buildings could be designed with enclosed parking on the ground floor. Commissioner asked for the applicant what would happen if the project is determined to be simply too large – which numerous citizens have argued.

Moon said ground floor parking would be expensive to implement. He said downsizing the project would negatively impact the economies of scale its present dimensions offer. That would hike leasing costs for students, making residency less competitive for students who are mulling their housing options.

“There's a certain point scaling back where it doesn't make sense any more,” Moon said. “At some point, you can't get financing. It's just math for us.” But, he added, “we can figure it out.”

Loya said that the EIR would still be relevant of the project was downsized, unless additional impacts were identified. Moon said reducing the project's size, as had been suggested, by as much as half would be a poor use of the property as an infill development.

Commissioners asked

for more detail on project alternatives which are given minimal detail in the EIR.

The Planco was to consider The Village again on Tuesday night this week.

Winkler's recusal

City Councilmember Michael Winkler has recused himself from City Council consideration of the project, required for the zoning change from industrial to residential use, and a variance that would allow buildings to be 50 feet tall rather than 35 feet. Winkler, who co-owns the private Redwood Energy consulting firm, plans to take a fee from the developer to conduct an energy audit and make recommendations.

But there could still be legal and ethical issues surrounding Winkler's recusal.

Government Code section 1090 states that “...city officers or employees shall not be financially interested in any contract made by them in their official capacity, or by any body or board of which they are members.”

According to City Attorney Nancy Diamond, , it's not clear whether the Development Agreement the city will sign with the project developers is tantamount to the kind of contract the code prohibits.

Said Diamond on Friday, “I am looking into the conflict of interest issue, both Government Code section 1090 and section 87100 (Political Reform Act) conflicts. I am always reluctant to give a quick conflict of interest interpretation

because the definition of “contract” under Government Code 1090 is nuanced and the subject of decades of judicial interpretation, and the FPCC recently overhauled its regulations implementing the Political Reform Act.”

Responded Winkler, “My number one priority, if it is built, is to have its energy performance be the best that it can be. Ideally, it would use no fossil fuels, be all electric and 100 percent solar.

Continued Winkler, “If the City of Arcata is not financially involved in the project and if I can do so within the letter and spirit of conflict of interest laws, I would rather be paid for any work I do on the project. If not, I would be willing to work on the project unpaid as I did on the Plaza Point and Creamery Row multi-family housing projects.

“Between 2011 and 2015 I worked on 11 projects for AMCAL, the prime developer for the project, but have not done any paid work for them in the past two years.

“It is up to the citizens of Arcata, the other four City Councilmembers and the Planning Commission whether the project gets built at all and, if so, what final form it takes.

“I plan to recuse myself on the project, not participate in any City Council meetings on the project, not vote on the project and not take a position on whether the project should be built at all.”

Erin | May have jumped from Elephant Rock to her death

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Responding APD officers conducted a search of the area, locating Henry's body a short distance east of the freeway. The Humboldt County Sheriff/Coroner assisted with the recovery of the body.

According to APD, the preliminary investigation revealed no sign of foul play.

Arcata Police Chief Tom Chapman said “there was no evidence at the scene to indicate someone else being there.” It remains unclear how Henry

got to the scene.

Chapman said it appeared that Henry may have leapt to her death from Elephant Rock. An autopsy was scheduled for Monday.

Henry was last seen Nov. 25 at her Arcata home. She left behind her wallet, cell phone and car, and was first reported missing Nov. 30.

Humboldt State University issued a press release on learning of the body's discovery. It read:

“Today we learned of the loss of Humboldt State student Erin Hen-

ry. We want to express our deepest sympathies to her family, friends, colleagues, and the faculty and staff who knew her. We ask you to keep her loved ones in your thoughts and comfort each other during this time.

“Students can contact Counseling & Psychological Services at (707) 826-3236. The Dean of Students Office can be reached at (707) 826-3504. Staff or faculty seeking additional support may utilize the Employee Assistance Program at (707) 443-7358.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Those wily talknophical sockdologizers

• **Wednesday, November 29 4:14 p.m.** Suspected musicians and their roadie enablers were suspected of smoking jazz cigarettes out back of a downtown entertainment venue – the one with the hideous mural.

8:26 p.m. A woman on F Street was wrapped in a white blanket as she alternately struck her head against a pole and kicked her dog.

10:45 p.m. A man with a backpack unleashed his two large, brown pit bulls on the Plaza to conduct service attacks on passersby.

• **Thursday, November 30 8:08 a.m.** Did the delivery guy leaving the package containing two cell phones on an Airstream Avenue porch really think they'd sit there all day unmolested for the owner to pick up? What folly!

3:18 p.m. A shoeless and inadequately socialized traveler lay on the picnic table at the Community Park playground, staring at frolicking children with unknown intent. An officer came and moved the leering layabout along.

3:52 p.m. Mean Mrs. Mustard and her aggressive, free-running dog aren't so responsive to civil requests to leash up and be nice on Sylvia Street.

• **Friday, December 1 3:45 a.m.** A Wyatt Lane resident noticed out front of his home arguing with

himself with crucial assistance from the man's garden hose.

10:24 a.m. Cleanup on Aisle I! That would be the South I Street parking lot at the Arcata Marsh, Dog Run & Carelessly Discarded Syringe Sanctuary Parking Lot, where a happenin' heap o' needle-icious discs rested spikily next to, but technically not in a trash can.

4:56 p.m. A man in a backwards baseball cap stole jumper cables from a downtown hardware store.

• **Saturday, December 2 9:07 a.m.** A "man" outside a downtown storehouse pushed a woman, tried to kiss her and grabbed at her clothing.

11:41 a.m. A Valley West motel lodger checked out, but left a cat behind in the room.

2:51 p.m. A heap of wet hippies clumped up on the bench in a downtown storehouse lobby's narrow pinch point, clammy steam rolling off their bods, backpacks and guitar cases. They'd pop out front to inhale life-affirming cig fumes and absorb more raindrops into their fragrant flannel, then come back inside to release further dank, poinsettia-withering roilings. The cycle of cigarette treatments and reclump-

age carried on despite the relentless sonic peltings of a most wonderful Andy Williams serenade until merchants grew weary of cringing behind their shop counters and desks to get away from the fetid frolickers' inchoate mildew ranch. Suddenly, a crisply attired officer showed up and sent their boot-heels a-wanderin' out the front door in a solemn backpack-and-guitar-case procession.

9:46 p.m. Staffing shortages at the Intermodal Transit Facility left only one raving lunatic this night to wave a knife around. The solo swordsman was arrested.

• **Sunday, December 3 10:23 a.m.** Seven sleepy slouchlings slumbered in the gazebo out front of a Valley West preschool. "We live here," slurred the insolent vagabonds, and they sort of do, between police visits. A certain glowering statue might solve the area's gazebo problem, but it's already in use elsewhere for that very purpose.

1:51 p.m. Someone reported that several people somewhere on the Plaza were drinking and drug-ging, even though the absence of these recreations would be the news. The whistleblower provided nicknames of the culprits, but these were unintelligible, likely because they were faithfully related.

4:04 p.m. Three dogs romped off leash at the marsh, helping degrade the very thing their hubristic owners went there to enjoy.

6:43 p.m. An exigency-driven non-contributor clad in a red hoodie and matching pants swiped a bottle of wine from a Uniontown supermarket, peed on a nearby taco shop and then headed for the parking lot entrance to cadge coin. There he was arrested.

• **Monday, December 4 8:45 a.m.** A gray-haired backpacker with shoes dangling from the side of his bulging knapsack was camping at a Valley West preschool as the school week got underway. Asked to leave, he responded with

threats. He was tracked down and warned not to trespass there any more.

10:28 a.m. When a car struck a bicyclist outside the Post Office, it messed up the rear tire but left the cyclist undamaged. The car driver gave the biker a ride to a nearby supermarket and \$50 to fergeddaboutit.

4:25 p.m. A dreadlocked damsel in orange-red plaid bellowed obscenities on the Plaza's north side, then ran headlong into the flagpole, recovered and staggered off towards a nearby bronze imperialist.

• **Tuesday, December 5 7:40 a.m.** campers at the Marsh Interpretive Center parking lot decorated their campsite with tarps and garbage.

7:53 a.m. A solo screecher set up a talknophical tempest at Seventh and F streets, haranguing both passersby and himself with gales of desultory denigration.

2:14 p.m. Someone on a bus near Westwood Center overheard a couple of fellow passengers talking about how their last chance to rob a bank will be on the 20th. But, the eavesdropper said, the sockdologizing stickup artists "seem unsure."

• **Wednesday, December 6 9:05 a.m.** A brown and beige motor home parked outside a Valley West no-tell motel contained multiple dogs, with a foul odor issuing forth from inside.

12:55 p.m. Hunters returned from just outside the Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary, placing their dead ducks and rifles on a picnic table.

2:31 p.m. Three to four shots were heard from the area of Klopp Lake at the Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary.

• **Thursday, December 7 8:53 a.m.** Two burned books were found on the roadside along eastern Samoa Boulevard, a common occurrence.

11:07 a.m. A woman at a Community Park health club said that a member in the women's locker room had told two other women that she was sensitive to fragrances, and asked that they not spray perfume. Instead, they thoroughly doused her all over with their perfumes.

Heli-saw, or just hell-a-awesome?

PG&E
HUMBOLDT/TRINITY
– Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) began flying a helicopter saw along four electric transmission lines that span from Humboldt to Trinity counties to improve electric reliability, starting Friday, Dec. 8.

A helicopter saw, or heli-saw, is a series of circular saws suspended from a high-performance helicopter used to trim the tops and sides of trees. PG&E uses the heli-saw in remote areas to maintain safe and reliable service to its customers in Humboldt County.

Unlike trees growing in dense forests, trees growing along transmission line corridors tend to grow more and longer branches because there is more sunlight.

In addition to the risk from the growth, these limbs collect snow and can pull the tree over in the direction of the line during storm events. PG&E will prune the limbs to prevent future power outages and to increase public safety. A helicopter saw is a safe, efficient way to prune trees in remote areas where snow and muddy roads make accessing power lines challenging.

The four transmission lines run through remote areas East of Eureka. Work will occur between Kneeland Road in Humboldt County and Big Bar in Trinity County. Property owners along the 42 miles where the pruning will take place have been notified in advance.

This targeted reliability project is one part of PG&E's robust vegetation management program in which the energy company prunes or removes approximately 1.4 million trees annually. PG&E's 70,000 square-mile service area includes approximately 123 million trees with potential to grow or fall into overhead power lines.

PG&E inspects and monitors every overhead electric transmission and distribution line each year, with some locations patrolled multiple times (18,000 transmission miles plus 81,000 distribution miles is about



LOOK, UP IN THE SKY It's PG&E's heli-saw taking on 123 million hazard trees! PG&E PHOTO

100,000 miles of transmission and distribution lines).

Before the heli-saw, a small helicopter (four-passenger A Star) will conduct an initial fly-over of the transmission lines to review terrain, pruning areas, roads, creeks, and other general avoidance areas.

The heli-saw will fly 7 days a week, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Work is expected to be complete within the next three weeks.

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1. Close noisily

5. Reaches across

10. Seaweed

14. O'Hara's estate

15. Claw

16. Common Latin abbr.

17. TV sitcom (1986-91)

18. Tribal member

19. Orchid genus

20. Flirts

22. Place for an art exhibit

24. Pub order

25. ___ Peak

26. Diver's hazard

29. Word with José or Juan

30. Parable's feature

34. ___ up; in great need

35. Athlete Bobby

36. Food fish

37. "Hail Mary," for short

38. Collegian's concern

40. "I do," for one

41. Peddler

43. One ___ time; consecutively

44. Fyn resident

45. Door

46. Firmament

47. Floor installer

48. Eagle's nest

50. Period of time

51. Walks

54. ___ from; grew out of

58. Woeful sound

59. Feat

61. Mixed bag

62. Yen

63. Strange

64. Bedtime, for some

65. ___ off; peeved

66. Stumbles

67. Passes away

DOWN

1. Bit of numerical info

2. Crippled

3. Zone

4. Sloping roof style

5. Market

6. Go by

7. Chicken ___ king

8. Pate

9. Untrustworthy one

10. Ship's beam

11. To be: Fr.

12. Hiding place

13. Drama

21. Forest animal

23. Juicy fruit

25. ___ of; share in

26. Make skin smooth

27. Safe place

28. Common contraction

29. ___ Lanka

31. Competitor

32. Make amends

33. Bring toward the ground

35. Belonging to you and me

36. Dangerous reptile

38. Trifled

39. Suffix for real or civil

42. Exhausted

44. Gem

46. Family member

47. Italian numeral

49. Change one's alarm

50. Diminutive suffixes

51. Pornography

52. ___ off; detached

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OPINION

There’s more to heaven and earth than dreamt of in your philosophies

Village pillage

There are many aspects of the project called “The Villages” which I think are going to be ultimately very bad for the City of Arcata. My knowledge of this proposed housing project for HSU students comes from the *Mad River Union*; I have attended no public meeting or talked to any principals or potential residents.

My concern begins with the sheer numbers of residents: i.e., “800 beds.” There may be an enforced rule of one car per unit (240), but there will be 800 beds and there could be 800 cars needing a place to park. In addition, there might be also a few guests, unless they, too, are prohibited. That’s probably unconstitutional, as well as impossible to enforce. Will The Villages be for enrolled and in good standing upper division students only?

The area of location for The Villages is near my current home in central Arcata. Proximity to HSU, Arcata High School, Northtown businesses, and several single family homes occupied by multiple students have increasingly impacted the on-street parking in this area. Since the Arcata City Council (ACC) in its wisdom several years ago removed the requirement that small or large apartments provide an off street parking space for each unit, the City is now providing free long term parking for whomever wishes to occupy space, day and night.

Driving on I Street, a “bicycle boulevard,” so-called, is hazardous for autos, bikes and pedestrians because of the con-

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gestion and narrow space. When a Village resident can’t park in its lot, they’ll come wherever there is space available. It happens now with residents who live elsewhere and will only get worse.

Then, there is the matter of costs. Two years ago my grandson lived in The Tea Garden apartments, at the corner of F and 11th streets, a great location with rent of \$700 per month with few amenities and no free Internet. There were no laundry facilities, either, but a nearby laundromat.

Maybe there is an agreement with local banks to grant loans to students so they can afford what will surely cost more than existing, older apartments. Could we ask the builders to guarantee a few units subsidized to meet the needs of our homeless students?

Will upper class students want to live in what is essentially a dormitory? Most are ready to move to greater independence after their freshman year; hence, sharing costs in a private house is often more appealing and will continue to be so.

Finally, one almost empty block on campus is adjacent to another which has three owners. A multi-story new building is across the street. With an off campus parking lot for residents, a multi-story dorm could be built with no objections from neighbors and students could use the facilities on campus for recreation (included in their high fees). There are surely other potential solutions to

the housing shortage as well. I urge others to let the Planning Commission know their opinion by December 15.

Without major reductions in size of structures and number of units, I urge the powers-that-be to reject The Villages.

Sara Turner
Arcata

Voodoo wreckonomics

The House and Senate tax bills are founded on the theory of trickle-down economics i.e. if you reduce the tax burden on businesses they will have more cash to use to stimulate economic growth which should ultimately result in more jobs and a spreading of the wealth. One means proposed by both bills to encourage this is to reduce the top corporate tax rate from 35 percent to 20 percent.

However I see two indicators that portend the trickle-down effect won’t occur. Last month, top economic advisor Gary Cohn met with a large group of CEOs and executives. They were asked to raise their hands if they planned to invest more money in their companies should the corporate tax cut pass. So few hands were raised that Cohn asked “Why aren’t the other hands up?” It is assumed the CEOs would instead use the new cash for share buy-backs or increased dividends, actions which do not stimulate the economy but rather benefit shareholders.

The other negative indicator can be seen in the state of Kansas. In 2012, its GOP-controlled legislature greatly reduced

tax rates overall, eliminating them in some cases. To balance this, they also reduced many government services.

Well, services did shrink, but so did the revenues leading to over a half billion dollar deficit in 2016 accompanied by average job growth at best. This spring the GOP led legislature overrode the governor’s veto and raised state tax rates instead. Trickle-down was a failure.

Most analyses of the two tax bills project a 10-year deficit increase of around \$1.5 trillion before accounting for economic growth, \$1 trillion after. The former deficit hawks, the GOP, are claiming trickle-down will close the gap, but I have my doubts. More likely the GOP will become deficit acceptors, or perhaps even, advocates.

Sherman Schapiro
Blue Lake

Vetspiration

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your coverage of the new energy and purpose at the Arcata Veterans Hall.

Your article earlier this year on the revitalization is what inspired me to donate the funds for a new PA sound system for the Hall.

I continue to look for ways to support this group, and encourage everyone who supports our Veterans to contribute however they can.

Thanks for the inspiration.
Wayne Caldwell, CFP
Premier Financial Group
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S.O.S (Surrendered Opened Serving; Softening of Self; Serving over Self; Striving (to) Offer Selflessly; Surrendering of Self

Play with it how you will, it is all the same territory and damn tricky.

I wish this wasn’t the case. There are certainly times when I truly can “serve the Holy One with joy, ivdu et hashem b’simcha.” ~Psalm 90

Serving with joy feels good. Serving with resentment, fatigue, frustration, irritation, wondering if it will ever be over, trying hard but still making folks you care about feel bad and other not-so-nice feelings; none of that feels good at all.

This is the territory I’m in. It’s the territory I’m in by choice. So, as I write these words, I have two more weeks in my Bayside home before I head to Colorado to be the primary care-giver for my father in his final journey. Since March of this year I’ve flown back and forth to Colorado more times than I can count. I’m done, and I’ve finally surrendered.

I just need to be there, give up my life here, for a time, and serve the man who has served me, my brother, my children, his students and his wives so deeply. It’s his turn to just be the recipient. He’s asked for me, which is revolutionary, in the story of our family. He’s also surrendered and recognized that my care makes a difference and he wants what I have to offer.

If my life was about achieving success, having a career or being perfectly sculpted, what would I have to bring to my father or anyone in their time of need? This is not a judgment of folks who strive for those things. I am commenting on our society’s over-valuing of these kinds of achievements. I don’t want or need accolades of any kind. That may seem specious, given that I’m writing about my process, my “selfless” process.

Perhaps, it will be seen that way. I share here, and wherever I find an audience, what is true for me. I know I am not alone in these feelings or experiences and that folks feel isolated way too often when they are care-giving. I choose to be present for my parents, my mother-in-law, my children, my friends, my community and those who I have made covenants with. My spiritual and personal commitments are as real and binding to me as the ones that are linked to my biology, my

blood, my ancestry.

This is lifetime work. It is not something I will ever complete or finish. Perhaps it will be lifetimes of work. I hope not. I’m tired. I am looking forward to the promise of singing with the Angels and not having to serve in a body ever again. When I cross over, if I get a choice, that’s the one I want. I have no desire to come back and do any more living over. I may feel differently when I’m 90, if I’m around then, you can be sure I’ll let you all know if this has changed.

My life has been so full and joyful. It’s also included extremely hard times and situations. I’m just like every other human, on our spinning planet, in this way.

The difficulties in my life aren’t comparable to the hardships of most folks’ lives. I live a life of privilege in many regards. Difficulty, is a relative thing though. If you string the events in my life up by the tragedies and failures or by the joys and wonders, you get different pictures. It’s often felt like a pendulum swinging wildly between the two poles.

I do not believe that you can create the life you want and that if you just attune and align with the perfect philosophy or diet or get things right personally all your problems, fears, complications and debts will go away, or the president you want will be in power, or folks will do what you want, and all will be perfect and polished. I am not interested in my life being polished or shiny or perfect. I’m not interested in weighing the right amount or looking the right way or doing things according to someone’s current ideal of what is fashionable or healthy.

I am interested in mastering, to whatever extent I can, what the Holy One sets before me, not what I set before me.

And, I fail every day, over and over. I fall down all the time and sometimes, even with all my personal padding, I am bruised all over. The reality of suffering is so damn intense, it’s not mild, it’s not pleasant, it’s not calm, quiet or easy. It’s a full-on completely body-slammng story.

I live it in my body. My em-

pathic nature is not something I am dimming or turning the volume down on. I’ve already done a volume shift to walk around and look semi-normal my entire life. I’ve learned to have a boundary between myself and others. Sometimes, though, I will still be brought up short, if another person is having trouble breathing, I also will start choking. I’ve said this all before, and I’m restating it for the following reason. Being empathic and devoted to easing the suffering of others is a full-time experience.

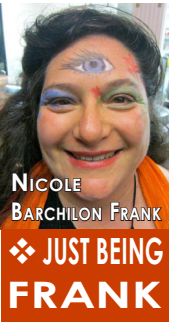
It is not a seamless process. Sometimes what I experience is a tsunami, sometimes it’s a slow flow of energy, like air leaking from a balloon, and other times it’s just in the background. Sometimes, I feel as if the life is being sucked out of me, Other times I feel as if I am being gifted with tremendous energy and all the gears are working properly; I’m loving, I’m being loved and I’m serving with joy.

These are the moments I live for, when it all aligns and the warm honey liquid healing/Tik-kun unfolds like a lotus opening. That’s what I want and it’s a palpable real experience that I have had and hopefully will have again.

It’s the true goal of my soul. S.O.S traditionally stands for Save Our Souls, and indeed, that’s what we are called upon to do, when we care for children, elderly parents, otherwise abled children, family, friends or spouses. We are being asked to surrender our own time-frames, needs, and lives over to the care of another.

This is not something we do as a sacrifice. The word sacrifice is one I do not resonate with. In Hebrew, we make offerings. They are called Korbanot/Offerings. You can make a korban that is for wrongs you have done, or in gratitude or in praise, or for a holiday or special life event. A korban is brought forth willingly and given with intention.

If you have never surrendered yourself over to another person, then this will seem completely foreign to you. In our society, there are more opportunities to give than you can possibly imagine. And, when the world feels insane, there is no better feeling



FATHER & DAUGHTER Nicole and her dad.

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than knowing you have made a difference in the suffering quotient of another human being or the planet. When we offer willingly of our time, our hearts, our bodies, there is a return offering that comes our way and it is one that cannot be measured or calculated. It can feel like a river of life-blood, a continuous flow of manna, heavenly nourishment and goodness.

It may take some time to recognize this, due to the stress of continuously extending for another, but when you do feel the flow, it is a game-changer. Simply Offering Simply that’s my goal.

I’m not going to list the mistakes, the all-too-common ones, most folks and I have made when offering self. I do want to share four basic keys that make a difference for me and enable me to give myself over and over in this and other situations.

Shabbat over Serving: Make sure you take one or two days off a week, figure it out, find friends or others to give you a break. If you cannot manage a day, manage for as long as you can. Make your time off regular, same day, same times. This will mean your body and heart and mind will adjust and know they are getting a break and it will train the person you are caring for to not expect your presence at that time.

Self-Care on Start: Don’t try to take care of someone else if you aren’t attending to the care of yourself as well. Get regular massages, work-outs, walks, acu-

puncture or whatever it is that nourishes you. It is not optional or secondary, it needs to happen before you help others, if you can, and consistently.

Start out Slow: Take your time getting to know the rhythms of the person and place where you are. Folks who are sick or elderly are moving at a very different pace from the one that you are. It is more of a service to them for less to happen, than for everything to get done, and it’s impossible to get everything done, so give up on that.

Stay Engaged over Signing Out or Off: When things get edgy, with other family members or there is a problem or grumpiness from a care-giver or the person you are caring for, or anyone in the situation, don’t give up or resign. Just give it some space, take a break, a day or a few hours, and come back to the situation. It’s a given that there will be rough patches. Expect these moments and work to prevent them, but remember that if you stay centered and apply the other three suggestions here, a solution will be found.

On that note, of solutions to be found, I’ll close. I’m writing regularly on my blog, and will continue to do so. Please check it out whenever you want a hit from the Nicole Zone: ohohands.com.

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TOYS FOR CHRISTMAS GOING, GONE, GONE

THE MICHAEL OLAF FAMILY Jim, Michael Olaf, Susan, Narda and Ursula in 2016, above, and the original Michael Olaf store, below, in 1982.

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Janine Volkmar
MAD RIVER UNION

TRINIDAD/ARCATA – Susan Stephenson, that loving proponent of all things Montessori, and her husband Jim are doing the semi-retirement thing. The Trinidad couple are downsizing their toy-and-book-publishing company, Michal Olaf, to just book publishing. The toys and educational materials are being sold until nothing is left.

Michael Olaf started out as a little shop in the Bay Area, where the Stephenson family lived in 1982. Susan was pregnant with her youngest, Michael, and she and her daughters went to the biggest toy store there to shop for baby toys. “We couldn’t find anything we wanted to have in the house,” she said.

Her daughters, Narda and Ursula, were in high school. They conducted research and met with retired small business owners to plan their business, offering Montessori toys and books. “It was in a little co-op, just one shelf, near the BART station,” she explained. “They named it after their baby brother, Michael Olaf.” It eventually grew to its own shop, moving to two more locations in the



Rockridge area of Oakland.

“Teachers discovered the tiny shop,” according to the Michael Olaf newsletter, “and asked for a list so they could order from home.” The business grew as orders from all over the world came in and the catalogues were works of art, illustrated by Susan Stephenson. The family moved to Humboldt County in 1990 and opened up shop in Arcata’s Pythian Castle, where Vintage Avenger is today. When they outgrew that space, they moved to the Ericson Court location, home of many iconic food businesses that started locally. Now, that warehouse is needed for other businesses but “the owner is letting us keep the front three rooms for our offices,” Stephenson said. Michael Olaf will become primarily a publishing company.

What better time to take advantage of a shopping opportunity? Stop by their warehouse at 65 Ericson Ct., No. 1 in Arcata and stock up for holiday giving before the doors close. It is a warehouse, so it’s adults only. That really means “no kids,” said Susan Stephenson, “It’s not safe for the little ones.” But that’s all the better to keep the presents secret. Michael Olaf is open from 10 to 2 p.m. on weekdays only, from now until the end of the year.

Shoppers will find wooden toys, musical instruments, puzzles, art and science materials, all carefully selected for quality and harmony with the principles of Montessori education. You don’t have to be an adherent of the Montessori principles to enjoy the toys; their simplicity and fine design are for everyone. Who could resist, for instance, a little Afro-Cuban djembe drum for \$20 or a matreshka nesting doll set for \$32? Other fun gifts include baking sets and an electric circuit kit, sure to be a hit with budding scientists and chefs.

“We have not earned a salary from the business since 2008,” Susan Stephenson wrote. The couple has kept the business going because they want to provide materials not available elsewhere to the international Montessori community. The closing of the warehouse coincides with some serious health challenges for her as well. “We do hope that others will carry on our work and find ways to provide the very best in materials for homes and schools,” she wrote in the company newsletter.

michaelolaf.net



‘Twas the Night Before Christmas Trillium Dance Studio and Ink People present ‘Twas the Night Before Christmas, a local holiday ballet favorite inspired by Clement C. Moore’s classic poem, **Saturday, Dec. 16 at 6 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 17 at 2 p.m. at the Van Duzer Theatre on the Humboldt State campus.** The production, choreographed by Artistic Director Erin McKeever and studio instructors, is danced by and for children and adults and features Haylee Wolff, Kelby Cooper and Lauren Baker. Kevin Sharkey is the narrator. (707) 822-8408, trilliumdance.com

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UGLY HOLIDAY SWEATER FUN RUN Humboldt Educare and Arcata Main Street present the Ugly Holiday Sweater Fun Run **Sunday, Dec. 17** starting at 10 a.m. This Christmas-themed run consists of a one-mile run/walk and a 5K run that begins and ends at the Arcata Plaza, with prizes for the “ugliest” sweater. arcatamainstreet.org

MCKINLEYVILLE COMMUNITY CHOIR HOLIDAY CONCERT The McKinleyville Community Choir presents a Holiday Concert **Sunday, Dec. 17** at 3 p.m. at the Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St. Along with the assortment of musical offerings from the full choir, there will be smaller ensembles and soloists, supported by various instrumental accompaniments. A variety of savory and sweet refreshments will be provided. Admission is free, and donations are always appreciated.



PAINTING PARTIES AND MORE MAKE FOR HAPPY HOLIDAYS IN BLUE LAKE

ALL THE PRETTY PAINTINGS The Mad River Grange was the site of a holiday paint party to benefit Soroptimist International of McKinleyville. PHOTO MONTAGE COURTESY APRIL SOUSA

There is no question about it; Blue Lake is the happening place to be this season. Recently, on Dec. 1, the Blue Lake Artisan’s Collective hosted “A Taste of Blue Lake,” which showcased the food, drink and art of Blue Lake. It was a huge success, and sure to become an annual event!

Shortly after that, the Mad River Grange hosted a Holiday Paint Party as a benefit for Soroptimist International of McKinleyville. There will be another Hol-



BLUE LAKE
NOTES
April Sousa

iday Paint Party Tuesday, Dec. 19 at 6 p.m., this time at Prash Hall Party Room, next door to the skating rink at 320 South Railroad. This Paint Party will be a benefit for the eighth grade class of Blue Lake School. Contact City Hall, (707) 668-5655 to RSVP.

The Mad River Grange Christmas party is today, Dec. 13 – all grange members are invited to attend and bring a white elephant gift. The annual Grange Caroling will take place Wednesday, Dec. 20. All community mem-

bers are invited to attend, whether or not you are a grange member. Meet at the grange, 110 Hatchery Rd., at 6:30 p.m. to practice a little before traveling the town, spreading Christmas cheer.

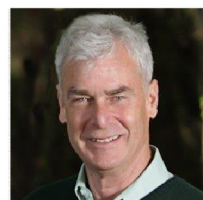
The last weekend of the Blue Lake Artisan’s Collective Holiday Market is coming up! Don’t miss out Saturday, Dec. 16, Sunday, Dec. 17 and Saturday, Dec. 23 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. There are so many fun items to buy for your friends and family! Plus, enjoy a cup of coffee and let the kids hang out in the kids’ corner while you shop. There are still family portraits available through

Catch-light photography for only \$20 – a great present for your loved ones!

And as the school prepares for winter break, there will be Lunch on the Lawn for families Wednesday, Dec. 20 and the Music Program Assembly on Thursday, Dec. 21 and then a minimum day on Friday, Dec. 22.

The city will once again offer Winter Break Camp for children in need of a fun place to be while school is out. Registration is already underway through bluelake.ca.gov.

Happy holidays to all those who are celebrating Hanukkah this week and those celebrating winter solstice next week!



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ORANGE IS THE NEW CAT

TANGERINE-TONED Brothers Fanta and Tang seek to sweeten your life.

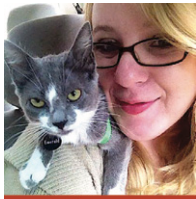
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Meet Fanta and Tang, a pair of sugary sweet brothers with big appetites for adventure. These tangerine-toned siblings can usually be found in the kitten room with one toy or another clutched in their little teeth, fully engaged in playtime until the clocks strikes naptime.

Both Fanta and Tang are bright-eyed, inquisitive and affectionate, but they are still getting used to being showered with attention and are quickly learning how wonderful it is to be petted, brushed and scratched behind the ears. With plenty of individual care, the dynamic duo is ready to blossom into a pair of prime lap dwellers. Whether they find a home together or individually, Tang and Fanta are sure to bring lots of light and love to their new household for the holidays!

If you are interested in meeting Fanta or Tang, please visit the kitten room at 88 Sunny Brae Center, Arcata, Tuesday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and fill out an application! Pictures of the rest of our adoptable animals can be found at cafanimals.org.

All of the animals at Companion Animal Foundation have been spayed/neutered, treated for parasites and are up-to-date on their vaccines. If you have any questions about a particular animal or would like to know more about the adoption process, give us a call at (707) 826-7387 or email cafadoptions@gmail.com.



❖ **COMPANION ANIMALS**
Ayla Glim

What we do for dogs

The shelter's Holiday Open House will be behind us when this article hits the newsstands, but I look forward to reporting on its success in next week's column. It is wonderful to see the community supporting the shelter and its Emergency Medical Fund!

My energies are split three ways when it comes to dogs. I am one of the volunteer coordinators at the shelter, which means I am involved in getting new volunteers oriented, keeping everyone up-to-date on shelter happenings and, of course, walking a lot of dogs!

I do have dogs of my own, though they have become used to the fact that they do not get all of my attention. They sniff my clothes when I get home and don't seem to be too bent out of shape that there are traces of other dogs. Hank has taught me to stop leaving dog biscuits from the shelter in my pockets! Now I check all pockets at the

door and if any treats have come home with me, they are split evenly among the home pack (and my pockets stay un-chewed). Hank sometimes helps with socialization of shelter or rescue dogs and the others come on the weekly pack walks. They have also been good sports about a fairly steady stream of foster dogs living with us!

Redwood Pals Rescue is the third piece of my dog involvement. The Open House and the shelter have been the focus of this column for the last few weeks but I'd like to let you know a little more about Redwood Pals this week. We are a very small nonprofit that makes a big difference to a lot of canines. Originally organized to help the dogs of the Humboldt County Animal Shelter, especially those at risk, our activities have expanded far beyond that.

We are also shelter volunteers, so we start with walking and training the dogs there. We evaluate dogs that do not pass their temperament tests and decide how we can help. Sometimes that involves training, fostering, searching out other rescue groups, or finding a way to get the dogs reunited with their original owners if that is an option. We are the ones that arrange for medical fosters for puppies that are too young to go up for adoption or dogs that have a need for home rest after medical treatment such as heartworm treatment or orthopedic surgery.

Along the way, we have become involved in helping dogs in low-income or homeless situations. We have provided the initial DHPP shots for hundreds of dogs over the last few years and we try to assist in spay and neuter as much as our grant funds allow. Several local businesses donate dog food, which supports our rescue dogs and allows us to offer supplemental food to many dogs in need in Arcata and Eureka. We assist in reuniting dogs and owners at the shelter.



❖ **DOGTOWN**
Mara Segal



THE LATEST IN CANINE FASHION Teddy models his holiday cape.

PHOTO COURTESY REDWOOD PALS RESCUE

There are no grants for that activity, but we think there is value in getting dogs back to their owners, especially if we can offer assistance with spays and neuters of those dogs and help keep them from reappearing at the shelter.

Grants from Humboldt Area Foundation and private donations help us keep our programs going, though we are always juggling to make sure everything is taken care of. We have to say no to most requests for veterinary assistance, as we just can't afford those expenses, but each of us have driven dogs to the vet and paid out of our pockets when it is too hard to say no ...

But it is all worthwhile when we are able to see one of our rescue dogs find a good home or feel the appreciation of the folks we are able to help. Teddy here has been in the paper before, but he is too cute in his holiday cape not to feature again. This 9-year-old dog is the best boy! Fine with cats and dogs, crate trained, housebroken, laid back – what more could you want in a dog?

We have other available dogs with our foster families as well. Please check our Facebook page at Redwood Pals Rescue to see the dogs that are up for adoption. We hear every day about how important it is for dogs to be saved, but we can only do that if our dogs are able to find good homes after they leave the shelter.

Do you know anyone considering a dog? Have them contact us. We are proud of our record of finding good matches between adopters and the rescue and shelter dogs. Please contact us at redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com or call (707) 839-9692. Teddy says thank you!

SCI FI PINT & FRY NIGHT See *The Manster* (1989) and other psychotronic weirdness, trailers, short films and strange giveaways **today, Dec. 13** at Arcata Theatre Lounge, 1036 G St. Doors open at 6 p.m. and the main feature starts at 7:30 p.m. An American journalist is sent to Japan to interview an eccentric scientist, but soon finds himself becoming the scientist's next experiment. Admission is free with \$5 minimum purchase of food or beverage. Parental guidance is suggested.

NIGHT MARKET The Creamery District in Arcata hosts another Night Market just in time for the holidays, **Friday Dec. 15** from 6 to 9 p.m. Shopkeepers are offering special opportunities to make and see art, drink mulled cider and enjoy discounts with donations of canned food. The Sand Fleas play in the Artisan Courtyard and the Playhouse concessions will serve hot buttered rum and tamales! Fun for all ages!

COMMUNITY CAROLING St. Alban's Episcopal Church invites the community to join

them in caroling in Sunny Brae **Friday, Dec. 15**. Meet at St. Alban's Episcopal Church, 1675 Chester Ave. in Sunny Brae at 6 p.m. Song books will be provided and all will return to the church for hot cocoa, cider and treats. Bring a flashlight. All ages are invited and children are most welcome to join in this joyous holiday tradition. For more information and directions call (707) 822-4102. St. Alban's welcomes LGBTQ people. stalbansarcata.org

FATHER/SON CONCERT The HSU Department of Music Faculty Artist Series presents a father/son concert **Friday, Dec. 15** at 8 p.m. in Fulkerson Recital Hall. Cellist and HSU Assistant Professor of Music Garrick Woods shares the stage with his father, pianist Rex Woods, who has been Garrick's partner in music-making since he was a child. The program will include many short, light-hearted pieces contrasted with some more virtuosic works. Garrick will also sing and play bass. Expect to hear music by a variety of artists, including familiar composers like Schubert, Schumann and

Chopin. Admission is \$10/\$5 for seniors, children and HSU students with ID.

PARANORMAL PUPPET SHOW The Kinetic Paranormal Society, a "pair of socks in a magical wardrobe traveling through time and space," performs its fifth annual Christmas puppet show at The Miniplex, 401 I St. in Arcata, **Saturday, Dec. 16** at 4 p.m. Everyone is invited to see this family-friendly musical comedy adventure featuring many classic carols and several originals that will become your new favorite Christmas songs. This show is fun for all ages. Admission is \$5/\$2 for children 6 to 12/free for children 5 and under.

SANTA AT BREAKFAST Santa is coming to Dows Prairie Grange, 3995 Dow's Prairie Rd. in McKinleyville, and would love to greet local good little children during the monthly pancake breakfast **Saturday, Dec. 16**. Celebrate this festive season with Grange's Holiday flea market and craft fair. A free children's craft table will be set up and there are over 12 vendors waiting to

help you find that special holiday gift for someone. Breakfast will be served from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Large breakfasts are only \$5 and the small size is \$3. The special this month is Snowy French Toast with cranberry and apple compote. The flea market is open until 3 p.m. Vendors interested in renting a table can call Kathy at 498-0801.

MOKKA MUSIC Good Company plays Celtic tunes **Friday, Dec. 15** at 8 p.m. at Café Mokka, 495 J St. in Arcata. There is no cover for this all-ages show. (707) 822-2228

STIGMA OF MENTAL ILLNESS Society's response to those who suffer with mental illness will be discussed at Lifetree Café at the corner of 13th and Union streets **Sunday, Dec. 17** at 7 p.m. The program, titled "Mental Illness: Breaking the Silence, Overcoming the Shame," features a filmed interview with Amy Simpson, author of the book *Troubled Minds*. Simpson grew up with a mother who was later diagnosed with schizophrenia. Free snacks and coffee are served. (707) 672-2919

CALENDAR	VENUE	WEDNESDAY, DEC. 13	THURSDAY, DEC. 14	FRIDAY, DEC. 15	SATURDAY, DEC. 16	SUNDAY, DEC. 17	MONDAY, DEC. 18	TUESDAY, DEC. 19
	Arcata Theatre Lounge 1036 G St., Arcata	6 p.m. Sci Fi Night		6:30 p.m. • On the Spot Improv		5:30 p.m. <i>The Polar Express</i>		
	Blue Lake Casino 777 Casino Way, Blue Lake		9 p.m. • Karaoke with KJ Leonard	9 p.m. Dr. Squid	9 p.m. Aeromyth	9 p.m. • Karaoke with KJ Leonard		
	Cher-Ae Heights Casino 27 Scenic Dr., Trinidad	8 p.m. Free pool	8 p.m. • Redwood Ramblers	9 p.m. Doug Fir & the 2x4s	9 p.m. Uptown Kings	8 p.m. • Karaoke with DJ Marv		
	Humboldt Brews 856 10th St., Arcata	9:30 p.m. • The California Honeydrops	noon • Holiday Trunk Show	9 p.m. Xmas Jam	9 p.m. Soul Party #6			
	The Jam 915 H St., Arcata	9 p.m. Whomp	9 p.m. The Getdown	9 p.m. Diggin Dirt		9:30 p.m. Sundaze	9:30 p.m. 12BC Productions	8:30 p.m. Comedy Night
	The Logger Bar 501 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake	7 p.m. • Cribbage Tournament	8 p.m. Trivia Night	9 p.m. Kindred Spirits	9 p.m. Jim Lahman Band	6 p.m. Football/potluck	CLOSED	all day Free ping-pong
	Mad River Brewing Co. 101 Taylor Way, Blue Lake	6 p.m. Piet Dalmolen	6 p.m. Blacksage Runners	6 p.m. • Jenni & David & the SSB	6 p.m. • Blase & the Stellar Jays	noon • Last Minute Gift Fair		6 p.m. Dogbone
	Redwood Curtain Brewery 550 South G St., Arcata		8 p.m. Piet Dalmolen		8 p.m. • Jenni & David & the SSB		7 p.m. Shuffleboard	
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OBITUARY

Dr. Patricia Lynne Siering

Patty Siering was a biology professor at Humboldt State University, an extraordinary cook who threw great parties, a founding member of the Team Stomatopod kinetic sculpture tribe, a lover of nature and dogs, a scholar who applied her knowledge of molecules and microbes to understanding ecosystems, a birder, a quilter, a hiker, a beloved wife, Aunt Patty to a dozen great kids, and a fierce advocate for education. The qualities people remember are her intellect, her generosity, her tenaciousness, her incredible sense of style, her silliness, her propensity to skip rather than walk, and her unlimited energy.

Dr. Patricia Lynne Siering was born in Henrietta, New York, a small town near Rochester, in 1962. Her parents, Robert and Jo Ann Siering, vacationed in San Francisco in 1974 and fell in love with California, resulting in a move to San Jose when Patty was 14. She graduated from Piedmont Hills High School in San Jose, and went to Sonoma State and then U.C. Berkeley.

At Berkeley, Patty lived in Barrington Hall, a co-op famous for excellence in the non-academic parts of college. She studied ballet for many years and loved dancing of all kinds. She was a punk rocker who listened to reggae and classical and funk and Jack Johnson and Eileen Jewel. In 1983, she went backpacking on the Lost Coast, wandered into Arcata afterward, and said to her friends, "Someday I'm going live here."

While at Berkeley, Patty became fascinated with molecular biology, a field that was advancing rapidly with experiments using pure cultures of bacteria. After graduating with a B.S. in Genetics in 1985, and working at Genencor, she earned an M.S in Microbiology at San Francisco State University. During this time, she became interested in microbes as organisms rather than as model systems, and in wild bacteria in their natural habitats and communities rather than as pure cultures in a laboratory. At the time, few scientists shared her interests because there were only limited tools available to answer the who, what, how, when and where of natural microbial communities. At Cornell University, Professor William Ghiorse agreed to let her pursue her

scientific passion. There she met Mark Wilson, another graduate student of Dr. Ghiorse's. The two shared passion for more than bacteria and married in 1995, the beginning of a shared life of love and all things microbial.

After earning her Ph.D. at Cornell, Patty taught at Middlebury College in Vermont for a year and then studied microbial communities in Yellowstone National Park with scientists at the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory.

True to her 1983 vow, she joined the HSU faculty in 1998. Here she founded and led a National Science Foundation Microbial Observatory at Lassen Volcanic National Park, which was focused on microbial communities in hot acid geothermal environments. More than 100 undergraduate and several graduate students joined the Humboldt Extreme Acidophile Team (HEAT) over the years Patty and Mark did work in the park. (Her husband was also a professor at HSU, with an office next to Patty's, and they collaborated on research projects and co-taught classes).

The Life in Boiling Acid research was integrated into multiple courses at HSU as well as courses at the institutions of their research collaborators. Patty provided an outstanding research-focused education to hundreds of students, many of whom have not only successfully completed advanced degrees, but attribute their success to the inspirational teaching and mentoring of Patty.

During the course of her career, she contributed to an explosive increase in understanding bacteria in nature, which today encompasses the fields of environmental microbiology and microbial ecology, and includes such active areas of research as astrobiology, microbiomes, biofuels and extremophiles.

Bacteria are small, and abstract to many field biologists who see a dividing line between molecular biology and organismal biology. When asked whether she thought of herself as an organismal biologist, Professor Siering's response was "I'm an *ecosystem* biologist."

She was a fierce advocate for students and believed in setting high standards and working tirelessly to help her students attain those stan-



dards. She taught Bacteriology, Environmental Microbiology, Marine Microbiology and several graduate seminars, as well as the introductory Principles of Biology class.

At home, surrounded by close friends, Patty died Dec. 3, 2017, from pancreatic cancer. The people at St. Joe's, especially the infusion center staff and nurses, were capable, professional and compassionate helpers during her fight against the disease. A protracted illness has the advantage of giving people the opportunity to show you how much they love and respect you, and Patty's spirits were buoyed by the many friends, former students, and relatives who visited in the months before her death.

A slow death also gives you the opportunity to give back to your community, and not long after her diagnosis Patty and Mark set up the Siering/Wilson research endowment, a program designed to fund undergraduate research in Environmental Microbiology at HSU. Donations to this endowment can be made at alumni.humboldt.edu/giving/siering-wilson-award-endowment.

Patty was preceded in death by her parents. She leaves behind her husband Mark Wilson of Loleta, her sister Laura Snyder (Mark Snyder) of Rochester, New York, her nephew Devin Snyder (Nichole England Snyder) and great nephew Finley Snyder of Vista, Calif., and her niece Jenna Snyder of Rochester, New York.

ZOO LECTURE The Sequoia Park Zoo Conservation Lecture Series continues **today, Dec. 13** with local artist and Explorers Club Fellow Susan Fox presenting "Art and Conservation in the Land of Blue Skies." Fox's lecture will include her field journals, location paintings and studio works. A reception to meet the artist starts at 6:30 p.m., followed by the free lecture at 7 p.m. in the zoo's Flamingo Room.

RIPARIAN HABITAT LECTURE Gordon Leppig presents a free lecture about "Riparian Habitat: Why It's Important and How to Protect It" **Friday, Dec. 15** at 7:30 p.m. at the Arcata Marsh Interpretive Center, 569 South G St. Leppig, a senior environmental scientist supervisor with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, will review the many ecosystem values of streamside areas, one of California's most threatened habitats. Leppig will celebrate the value and beauty of this vital habitat and highlight methods to best protect it. For more information or to guarantee a seat, call (707) 826-2359.

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ARCATA CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT Birders are invited to participate in the annual Christmas Bird Count **Saturday, Dec. 16** starting at 7 a.m. This circle includes the mouth of the Mad River, McKinleyville, part of Arcata Community Forest, Arcata, Bayside, Indianola, Eureka, and the North Spit. Contact compiler Tony Kurz at tonyk_71220@hotmail.com early, as dates may change due to poor weather. Beginners are welcome!

MARSH TOUR Friends of the Arcata Marsh sponsors a free tour of the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary **Saturday, Dec. 16** at 2 p.m. Meet leader Ken Burton Allen at the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-minute walk focusing on the birds of the Marsh. Loaner binoculars available with photo ID. Call (707) 826-2359 for more information.

On The House...

Joanie and John Frederick

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17-00600
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
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This business is conducted by: A Corporation
SIDON BRADNER, PRESIDENT
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on NOV. 13, 2017
KELLY E. SANDERS
SC DEPUTY CLERK
11/22, 11/29, 12/6, 12/13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
17-00642
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
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ARCATA, CA 95521
CRAIG R. MILLERBIS
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ARCATA, CA 95521
This business is conducted by: An Individual
SICRAIG MILLERBIS, OWNER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on DEC. 7, 2017
KELLY E. SANDERS
SC DEPUTY CLERK
12/13, 12/20, 12/27, 1/3

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
JERRY LYNN URBANUS
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
CASE NO. CV171025

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
1. Petitioner JERRY LYNN URBANUS has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name: JERRY LYNN URBANUS to Proposed name ARIAL NOVA.
2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Date: January 16, 2018
Time: 1:45 p.m.
Dept.: 4
3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union.
Date: NOV. 20, 2017
s/LEONARD LACASSE
Judge of the Superior Court
12/6, 12/13, 12/20, 12/27

NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property

under the California Self-Service Storage Facility Act (Bus. Prop. Code Ss 21700-21716). The undersigned will sell at public sale by competitive bidding on the 14th day of December, 2017 at 10 a.m. on the premises where said property has been stored and which is currently located at Arcata Bay Self Storage, 250 E Street Arcata, CA. Most storage units contain miscellaneous personal property, clothing, furnishings and household goods. In addition, the following units contain:
• Teresa Sayers - Sewing Machine, Boxes, Books, Painting
• Tom Cahill - BBQ, Tool Box, Vacuum, Boxes, Cleaning Supplies, Boards
• Ricky Mell - Grow Equipment
• Cameron Hendricks - Hydro Tables, Turntable, Couch, Suitcase
• David Allen - Clothes, Chair, Dresser, Changing Table, Crib, TV Stand
The Auctioneer will be Kerry Rasmussen, Bond #7900364465, phone #707-822-0331. Purchases must be paid for at the time of the sale in cash only. All purchased items sold "as is" and must be removed at the time of sale. Sale is subject to cancellation in the settlement between owner and obligated party, auctioneer, and Arcata Bay Self Storage.
12/6, 12/13

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF BURL LEE LECHUGA AKA PENNY LECHUGA
CASE NO.: PR170330
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: BURL LEE LECHUGA AKA PENNY

LECHUGA.
A Petition for Probate has been filed by: VICKI DILLARD AND JANETTE LECHUGA in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.
The Petition for Probate requests that: VICKI DILLARD AND JANETTE LECHUGA be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:
Date: Jan. 4, 2018
Time: 2:00 PM
Dept.: 4
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.
If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your

claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
Attorney for the petitioner: ARTHUR NIELSEN
GALE & NIELSEN
2850 HARRIS STREET
EUREKA, CA 95503
(707) 269-0167
12/13, 12/20, 12/27

CITATION FOR PUBLICATION UNDER WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE SECTION 294
Case Name: VALERIE BROOKE
Case No.: JV170046
1. To Tabettha Brooke, David Bullwinkle, Nicholas Creisinger and anyone claiming to be a parent of Valerie Brooke born on 2/27/2017 at Mad River

Hospital, Arcata, CA.
2. A hearing will be held on March 14, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. in Dept. 7 located at Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA 95501, Juvenile Division, 2nd floor.
3. At the hearing the court will consider the recommendations of the social worker or probation officer.
4. The social worker or probation officer will recommend that your child be freed from your legal custody so that the child may be adopted. If the court follows the recommendation, all your parental rights to the child will be terminated.
5. You have the right to be present at the hearing, to present evidence, and you have the right to be represented by an attorney. If you do not have an attorney and cannot afford to hire one, the court will appoint an attorney for you.
6. If the court terminates your parental rights, the order may be final.
7. The court will proceed with this hearing whether or not you are present.
ATTORNEY FOR: CHILD WELFARE SERVICES
JEFFREY S. BLANCK, COUNTY COUNSEL #115447
DEBRA AVENMARG, DEPUTY COUNTY COUNSEL #271366
825 FIFTH STREET
EUREKA, CA 95501
(707) 445-7236
DATE: DEC 06, 2017
JANET W., Clerk, by Kim L. Bartleson, Deputy
12/13, 12/20, 12/27, 1/3

CITY OF ARCATA PUBLIC NOTICE
The Arcata Police Department received found property, which included U.S. currency.

The property was found in Redwood Park in Arcata, CA during the month of October 2016.
Pursuant to Sec. 2080.3 of the Civil Code, the property, has been stored for 90 days, and has not been claimed and is hereby advertised as found. Owner must produce proof of ownership and claim the property at the Arcata Police Department, 736 F Street, Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. When claiming property please refer to incident number 1610260038.
In addition, the Arcata Police Department will be sending miscellaneous unclaimed property to auction. The Arcata Police Department participates in an online auction with other agencies across the country. We send bicycles, collectibles, electronics, jewelry, music/office/photography/sports equipment and tools on a bi-monthly basis.
Found, recovered and unclaimed property items that have been researched and held for a minimum of 90 days are sent. The items will be sold to the highest bidder. You may access the list of property on your computer by entering www.propertyroom.com. That site will provide the information needed to view, bid on, claim or register property. Please call the Dispatch Supervisor at (707) 822-2428 if you have any questions.
Eileen Verbeck
Police Business Manager
DATED: December 4, 2017
12/13

CITY OF ARCATA LEGAL NOTICE INTRODUCTION OF

ORDINANCE NO. 1497
I hereby certify that at a regular meeting held on December 6, 2017, the Arcata City Council introduced Ordinance No. 1497, summarized below, *An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Arcata Amending the Arcata Municipal Code Pertaining to the Use and Regulation of Cannabis*, at which time the reading in full thereof was unanimously waived and approval granted for reading the ordinance by title only. The motion to introduce Ordinance No. 1497 was passed by the following vote: AYES: Ornelas, Pereira, Pitino, Watson, Winkler. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTENTIONS: None.
Bridget Dory, City Clerk, City of Arcata
Summary of Ordinance No. 1497
If adopted, this ordinance will amend the City of Arcata Municipal Code by incorporating existing medical and non-medical cannabis regulations into one regulation.
The full text of Ordinance No. 1497 is available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk, Arcata City Hall, 736 F Street, Arcata, California, Monday through Friday, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Ordinance No. 1497 may be considered for adoption at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Arcata City Council to be held on December 20, 2017, and, if adopted at that time, will take effect immediately.
Bridget Dory, City Clerk, City of Arcata
12/13

CITY OF ARCATA LEGAL NOTICE INTRODUCTION OF

ORDINANCE NO. 1496
I hereby certify that at a regular meeting held on December 6, 2017, the Arcata City Council introduced Ordinance No. 1496, summarized below, *An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Arcata Amending Zoning Regulations Pertaining to Cannabis Regulation*, at which time the reading in full thereof was unanimously waived and approval granted for reading the ordinance by title only. The motion to introduce Ordinance No. 1496 was passed by the following vote: AYES: Ornelas, Pereira, Pitino, Watson, Winkler. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTENTIONS: None.
Bridget Dory, City Clerk, City of Arcata
Summary of Ordinance No. 1496
If adopted, this ordinance will amend the City of Arcata Land Use Code to standardize the use of the word "cannabis"; allow non-medical light-industrial uses in the Medical Marijuana Innovation Zone; and allow a process for existing dispensaries in good standing to conduct non-medical sales.
The full text of Ordinance No. 1496 is available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk, Arcata City Hall, 736 F Street, Arcata, California, Monday through Friday, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Ordinance No. 1496 may be considered for adoption at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Arcata City Council to be held on December 20, 2017, and, if adopted at that time, will take effect immediately.
Bridget Dory, City Clerk, City of Arcata
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1 Niman Ranch French Cut Bone-in Standing Rib Roast, approximately 6 pounds
6 tablespoons Extra Virgin Olive Oil
1/4 cup minced fresh garlic
2 tablespoons kosher salt
1 tablespoon freshly ground black pepper

Mix together the olive oil, garlic, salt, and pepper in a small bowl. Set aside.

Place the prime rib on a cutting board and massage it with the olive oil mixture. Cover with a tent of foil and set it aside for at least one hour to bring it to room temperature. This will help the meat cook faster and more evenly. Preheat the oven to 450°F. Place the prime rib on the rack in the roasting pan and place in the oven. Roast at 450°F for 15 minutes. Turn the oven down to 350°F, and continue roasting for 50 minutes. Remove the roast from the oven and spoon the olive oil and garlic mixture over the top and down the sides. Place the meat back in the oven and roast for another 20 minutes. Insert a meat thermometer into the center of the roast to check the temperature. If the temperature is less than 120°F, continue roasting, checking every 10 minutes, until the temperature reaches 120°F. An internal temperature of 120°F will provide two medium-well end cuts, a medium-done slice on each side of the roast, and a center that's a perfect medium-rare. Allow the prime rib to rest for 25 to 30 minutes before carving. Once it has rested, place it on a cutting board with the bones straight up in the air. Cut the bones away from the meat by carefully running your knife blade between the bones and the meat. Once the bones have been removed, slice the meat into thick slices. Serve the bones alongside the roast. Serves 5-6 people
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